

Software Preservation Network

Participation Agreement

Your support will enable your institution to participate in the evolution of the Software Preservation Network (SPN) from a grant-funded, volunteer-based network into a robust, subscription-funded membership community dedicated to advancing and coordinating software preservation efforts.

By providing a range of legal, technical, coordination, and professional development activities, SPN will enable its members to deliver durable access to the software environments needed to maintain and access their digital collections.

There are two membership categories and two sponsorship categories at this time. These categories are designed explicitly for the two-year transition that will shift SPN from a grant-funded project to a thriving membership community. For more information about this transition, please see the SPN Prospectus (released September 2018).

Member Benefits (active participants in the development of SPN)

Members who join the SPN organization as either Supporting Members (\$2,000/year) or Sustaining Members (\$5,000/year) during the two-year start-up phase will benefit from a range of organizational resources and services (for a full list, see the SPN Prospectus, released September 2018):

Supporting Members (\$2,000/year)

- 1) Appointment of one staff member to the Advisory Committee, which provides feedback and advice to the Steering Committee but does not have voting rights during the start-up phase
- 2) Ongoing recognition as a “Supporting Member” in all future SPN work as long as membership is maintained

Sustaining Members (\$5,000/year)

- 1) Appointment of one staff member to the Steering Committee, which has voting rights and oversight responsibilities during this two-year start-up phase
- 2) Ongoing recognition as a “Sustaining Member” in all future SPN work as long as membership is maintained

All members (Sustaining or Supporting)

- 1) Legal strategies and documentation to help ensure lawful preservation, sharing, and reuse of software
- 2) Access to an international network of institutions engaging in software preservation activities
- 3) Metrics to enable ongoing tracking and reporting on progress across project-based

and programmatic software preservation efforts

- 4) Networking opportunities, including in-person and virtual meetings, to share practices and make current work more visible and accessible
- 5) Access to a robust communication infrastructure
- 6) Software metadata crosswalk and recommendations
- 7) Governance structure, legal status, and administrative support for SPN
- 8) Access to training and professional development opportunities
- 9) Standards development and maintenance support

Sponsor Benefits (financial support without active participation)

Sponsors who join the SPN organization as either Maintenance Sponsors (\$10,000/year) or Implementation Sponsors (\$4,000/year) during the two-year start-up period will benefit from a range of organizational resources and services (for a full list, see the SPN Prospectus, September 2018)

Maintenance Sponsors (\$10,000 or above/year):

- 1) Acknowledgment as a Maintenance Sponsor on the SPN website, with a large logo
- 2) Mention in all SPN literature as an SPN Maintenance Sponsor
- 3) One representative of the sponsoring organization may attend non-fee-based events such as webinars and roundtable discussions
- 4) The sponsoring organization may send up to two promotional messages per year to SPN's member listserv via the community facilitator.
- 5) The sponsoring organization will have the opportunity to present a vendor webinar for SPN members.

Implementation Sponsors (\$4,000 or above/year):

- 1) Acknowledgment as a Implementation Sponsor on the SPN website, with a medium logo
- 2) Mention in all SPN literature as an SPN Maintenance Sponsor
- 3) One representative of the sponsoring organization may attend non-fee-based events such as webinars and roundtable discussions
- 4) The sponsoring organization may send up to one promotional message per year to SPN's member listserv via the community facilitator.

Large, one-time gifts will be gladly accepted; however, the emphasis will be on annual membership and sponsorship as the basis for sustained support. Donors of large, one-time gifts will be recognized on the SPN website and elsewhere.

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Upon completion of this form, an invoice will be sent separately to your organization.

My Institution, _____, (fill in name of institution) pledges to participate in the two-year evolution of the Software Preservation Network from a set of grant-funded initiatives to a stable community with independent and ongoing revenue to support its growing roster of services, tools, and activities.

Participation Type (circle one):

- Supporting (\$2,000/year, invoiced annually)
- Sustaining Member (\$5,000/year, invoiced annually)
- Implementation Sponsor (\$4,000/year, invoiced annually)
- Maintenance Sponsor (\$10,000/year, invoiced annually)

Signature by Authorized Representative of Institution:

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

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Billing Address

Signed by Authorized Representative of the Educopia Institute:

Signature

Date

Print Name

Title

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